

# 4-H CLUB SIGNS

*Extension Agricultural Engineers  
and  
State 4-H Club Leaders  
The A&M College of Texas*



**Purpose:** To extend the 4-H hand of friendship to the public and encourage pride in the 4-H Club emblem.

**Suggested Method:** The county 4-H organization (county council or committee) may consider the advisability of installing the uniform 4-H Club sign on county, city and community boundaries. The county organization should plan for all 4-H Club members to participate in financing, construction, installation and regular maintenance of the sign and area.

**Bill of Materials:** 2 - 4" x 4" x 8' Chemically treated posts  
4 - 1" x 6" x 10' B & B grade lumber, well seasoned  
or  
1 - 4' x 5' x 3/4" Exterior grade plywood may be used  
**Fasteners:** 8d nails (three per joint)  
or  
3/16" carriage bolts (two per joint)  
Glue all joints for a more lasting sign.



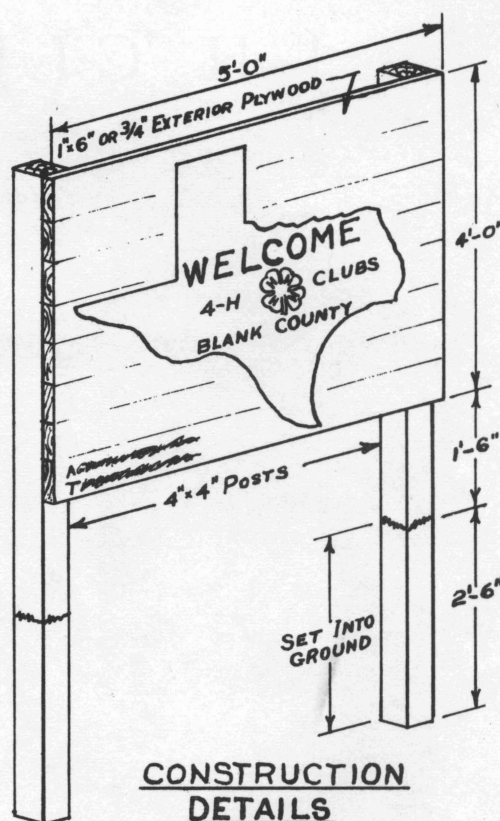
**Painting:** Before putting the sign together, the edges, ends and sides of all boards should be painted with a good grade of enamel undercoating. Then the sign can be put together and painted all over with two coats of high grade, white, outside enamel.

When all signs are built and painted white, obtain the 4-H Club sign pattern from the Extension Service District Agent's office. Place the pattern on the sign and draw lines around it with a soft lead pencil. Be sure the Texas map pattern is placed so that the letters will be on a horizontal line and so there will be an equal distance from the pattern to the edge of the sign at each side and at the top and bottom. A few pieces of drafting tape or masking tape will help hold the pattern in place.

Make pencil marks in the horizontal series of slots so that guide lines may be drawn for your county's name. Draw the outline of the small triangle and the small circle in the center of the Texas map pattern. Now remove the Texas map pattern and place the 4-H Club emblem pattern on the sign so that the small triangle and circle will line up exactly with the ones you have already drawn. This will locate the 4-H Club emblem in the proper place and its outline may be drawn in with a lead pencil.

Select the correct stencil letters you will need for your county name and line them up on the guide line. Try spacing the letters various ways until you are satisfied that the sign will have a pleasing or balanced appearance and draw in the outline of the letters. The only thing left to do now is to place the stencil which says "Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A. & M. College System" in the lower left hand corner of the sign and trace the letters. When the pattern has been used for all the signs you have, please return it to the Extension District Agent's office so that another county may use it.

Use a high grade green outside enamel to paint in the green portion of the sign as shown on page 1. Select a green color that will match the green of the 4-H Club automobile stickers. A few sign painters' brushes will make it easier to paint the letters and the emblem.



**CONSTRUCTION  
DETAILS**